

Searching For God In All The Wrong Places

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Zephaniah 2:3, "Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD's anger."

Many people in this world are searching for God, but they are looking in all the wrong places. They have spent their lives searching through different religions, umpteen churches and yet they still haven't found true peace. The reason is because they have never obeyed the truth of God's Word. Most people reject the truth when they hear it, because it doesn't make sense to them. 1st Corinthians 1:18 and 21, "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. ...For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."

The truth is that if a person doesn't want the truth in their heart, then they'll never listen to reason nor evidence. Satan blinds the MIND (2nd Corinthians 4:4), but salvation is of the HEART (Romans 10:9-10). Arguing religion with a person's mind is hopeless. God's Holy Spirit must work in that person's heart. All we can do is present the clear and simple gospel to them and then allow the Spirit of God to do His work in that person's heart.

The Bible teaches that nature itself reveals God. Romans 1:20, "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse." Nature itself is plain evidence of a divine Creator and His omnipotent power. Yet, without the inspired Words of God no one could be saved, for the Bible is the very Seed by which we are born-again. 1st Peter 1:23, "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever." This is the main reason why Satan has corrupted all modern Bibles, that is, to blind men concerning the true way of salvation.

Searching For God in All The Wrong Religions

There are entire nations that have adopted Allah, a false god. They aren't even searching for the true and living God, because they errantly think they've found

Him. Allah is NOT God! Allah is a false god. Allah means god, but since the Koran teaches that Allah has no son, it absolutely cannot be the same God of the holy Bible, which teaches that God does have a Son, Jesus Christ. Islam and Christianity DON'T worship the same God.

I was recently saddened to learn that 60% of the 120,000,000 people living in Japan are professing atheists. Less than 0.5% claim to be Christians. That's less than 600,000 people in Japan who profess to be Christians, and most of them are probably a member of some false Christian cult like Roman Catholicism, Mormonism or Seventh-Day Adventism.

I was equally saddened today when I found a list of top Muslim countries. Every one of the following countries are at least 90% or higher in Muslim worshippers, which means they are all going straight to Hell in their false Allah religion. In case you don't know, the Koran plainly teaches that Allah (their god) has no son, and Jesus was kidnapped, leaving someone else to die in His place instead. The Koran is rubbish!

Here's a list of totally Muslim nations that are all going to Hell in their unbelief...

- Afghanistan
- Algeria
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- Comoros
- Djibouti
- Egypt
- Gambia
- Iran
- Iraq
- Jordan
- Kosovo
- Libya
- Maldives
- Mali
- Mauritania
- Mayotte
- Morocco
- Niger
- Pakistan
- Palestinian Territories
- Saudi Arabia
- Senegal
- Somalia
- Syria
- Tajikistan
- Tunisia
- Turkey

- Turkmenistan
- Uzbekistan
- Western Sahara
- Yemen
- Middle East-North Africa

Morocco is 99.9% Muslim!!! That 32,381,000 people living in Morocco who are all unsaved without Jesus Christ and on their way to an eternal Hell. There are 74,660,000 Muslims living in Turkey, a shocking 98.6% of their population. Oh the horror of the Lake of Fire for all of them!!! Islam is a curse upon mankind. Take a look again at the <u>list of top Muslim countries</u> and notice the maps of the world, color-coding the most Islamic nations. It appears that apart from the United States and northern South America that the whole world is following after the false god of Allah. Isaiah 13:11 warns that God will punish the world for their wickedness, and that certainly includes rejecting Jesus Christ to follow Allah instead. Allah is a fraud concocted by a heretic named Muhammad in the 8th century AD.

Islam is a religion of moon worship, evidenced by the practice of praying in sequence with the cycles of the moon in Islam. Muslims are required to face Mecca, Saudi Arabia and pray five times daily. They are not allowed to face Mecca when using the bathroom. Urinating on one's self is an automatic trip to Hell, so Muslims carry rinse bottles and cleanse themselves continually. Islam is a strange religion of bandage and hatred against Jews and Christians. On the other extreme we've got naive Christians who worship Israel instead of the God of true Israel. It is idolatry! The Jews are as Godless as the Muslims. Judaism rejects Jesus Christ as much as Islam does, denying the Messiah. If you don't want Jesus Christ, then you will NEVER find God, because Jesus came as almighty God in the flesh. The majority of Jews only accept the Old Testament, but reject the New Testament. They are fools. Judaism and Islam are straight out of Hell.

I used to work with a devout Muslim, who shared with me some of his beliefs. When I tried to witness to him, another unsaved co-worker overheard the conversation and interpreted that as hatred for not accepting all religions. It's not easy being a Christian in a heathen workplace. America has gone to Hell these days, so Muslims are readily accepted, since it is a demonic religion. Only Christians are hated and shunned it seems. Worldly Christians are accepted, but faithful believers who try to live according to the Scriptures are labeled as judgmental, hateful and holier-thanthou hypocrites.

The fact of the matter is that any person who drinks booze, dresses immodestly, likes to party wild, listen to Rock music and live on the edge morally is going to despise Christians who attempt to live apart from all that. A believer who desires to live right is not going to get along with a believer who doesn't. Just as Demas forsook Paul because he loved this present world (2nd Timothy 4:10), so are many believers today in love with this wicked and sinful world. They are idle for Christ and wasting valuable time that could be used to go soul-winning and serve God.

Salvation is NOT found in any religion; but rather, in a Person—the Lord Jesus Christ,

because of what He did to pay for our sins by shedding His own blood. We are saved by receiving the gospel as full-payment for our sins. The gospel (good news) is that Jesus died, was buried and then raised up from the dead three days later. Jesus paid a debt that He did not owe, because we owed a debt of sin that we could not pay. Religion wants to fit us with glasses, but the Lord wants to open our eyes.

I have met people who speak highly of God, while simultaneously cursing the name of Jesus. Such fools know nothing about the true and living God. Hundreds-of-millions of Muslim religiosities bow, lie prostate on the floor and worship Allah, a mythical god that doesn't even exist. Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Syria, Taiwan, the southern providences in the Philippians and dozens of other nations are highly Muslim. Afghanistan and alone has over 29,000,000 Muslims (that's 99.8% of the total population of Afghanistan). Algeria has 34,000,000 Muslims, which comprises 99.2% of the population there. It's tragic and sad. All those people are hellbound in their sins and unbelief without the Lord Jesus Christ.

Shockingly, the world total of Muslims is now an estimated 1,619,314,000 people (same link as above), which is 23.4% of the world's total population. Can you image, one in every four people in this world are Muslim. Muslim's deny that Jesus died on the cross. They deny that Jesus is the Son of God. Muslims deny the Doctrine of Christ and the Godhead.

Searching For God In All The Wrong Bibles

Corrupt Bible versions equal corrupt doctrines. A popular perverted teaching nowadays in our churches is that a person must make Jesus their Lord, cease from sinful bad habits and commit one's life to live for God to be saved. That's consecration, not Biblical salvation.

In sharp contrast, the Bible teaches that <u>we are saved by believing the gospel</u>, that is, the good news that Jesus died, was buried and rose up from the dead after three days. Jesus shed His precious blood to wash away our sins.

1st Peter 1:18-21, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God."

The search for God ends when you've believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, for He is the manifestation of the Godhead to mankind. 1st Timothy 3:16, "And without

controversy great is the mystery of godliness: <u>God was manifest in the flesh</u>, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory." All modern Bible versions corrupt this Scripture and render it lame, such as, "he was revealed in a body" in the *New International Version* (NIV). Who's "he"? What kind of body? False Bible translators claim that they're work is easier to understand than the trustworthy King James Bible. Who's kidding who? The translators of the NIV are liars and deceivers.

The Bible teaches in 1st Timothy 3:16 in the King James Bible that GOD WAS MANIFEST IN THE FLESH. Any child can understand that statement. Jesus Christ is the revelation of the Godhead to the world. In Christ's body dwelt the complete Godhead, which is taught in Colossians 2:8-9, "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily." If you're searching for God, then you will find Him in the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ. That means that you must SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES to become acquainted with Who God really is, as stated in John 5:39, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." God has revealed Himself to mankind in the Lord Jesus Christ, Who is the only begotten Son of God.

Jesus Christ Is God In The Flesh

As born-again believers we recognize that <u>our Lord came to this Word as God in the flesh</u>, incarnate. Jesus DIDN'T give up His deity to come to earth; but rather, "being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross" (Philippians 2:8). If you deny that Jesus is God almighty in the flesh, then you are unsaved my friend. No person who denies the virgin birth, the deity of Jesus Christ or His resurrection from the dead is saved. This is how I know that <u>Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was unsaved</u> and went to Hell in his sins. That makes me sad, but it is the truth. I am greatly saddened to know that over 1.6 billion people are worshippers of Allah and totally denying that Jesus is the Son of God. They believe the lies of the Quran (or Koran), which teaches that Jesus never died on the cross. It is wickedness.

If you want to feel God's presence in your life, then get close to Jesus. First, you need to get saved, that is, born-again. You need He, Who is the beginning, born in you. Romans 8:9 teaches that every believer has the "SPIRIT OF CHRIST," which is the Holy Spirit of God in us. No Christ-rejecter has the Holy Spirit, nor can they ever understand spiritual matters until they are saved (1st Corinthians 3:16-17; 1st Corinthians 2:14-16). Romans 8:9, "But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his."

As believers we are told to **SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES** as Jesus commanded in John 5:39 for He said, "**THEY ARE THEY WHICH TESTIFY OF ME**." Amen! You won't

learn about Jesus from the demonic and corrupt <u>THE DAVINCI CODE</u> book or film. You won't learn about Jesus from the corrupt History Channel from <u>Walt Disney</u>. The heathen world has it all wrong and despises the Lord (John 15:19). If you want to learn about Jesus, then you must become familiar with the inspired Words of God in the Bible. There is no other way. In Revelation 19:13 Jesus' name is called "THE WORD OF GOD." In John 1:1-3,14 we are taught that Jesus is the Word incarnate that came down from Heaven, that is, the Living Word, the Bread of Life. Jesus is precious!

My friend, Christianity is not just another religion, it is THE TRUTH. I know because God gave to us His inspired Words. I am 100% convinced that our precious King James Bible is a divine preservation of those inspired Words in the English-speaking language today (which has become the international language of the world). The Bible couldn't have possibly come to us in the manner which it did without divine providence and intervention. How did 40 different writers, spanning 1500 years, who were from different nations and spoke different languages, most of whom never met each other, having varying degrees of education and background, pen such a magnificent manuscript that contains one-third prophecy and perfectly harmonizes in content, meaning and logic? It is not only astronomical improbable, but universally impossible. If you want proof of God and the divine origin of the Bible, there it is!!!

The world continues to search for God in all the wrong cultures, nations, religions, Bible versions and dogmas; but the way, the truth and the life is Jesus Christ Himself (John 14:6). God didn't leave mankind to wonder, guess nor worry about spiritual matters, which is why He authored the holy Bible as a lamp unto our feet (Psalms 119:105).

Mark 1:15: "...repent ye, and believe the gospel."

"Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are

they which testify of me." —John 5:39

"In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." —2nd Thessalonians 1:8,9

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Ye Must Be Born Again!